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VIRGINIA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION 2016-2023 STRATEGIC PLAN

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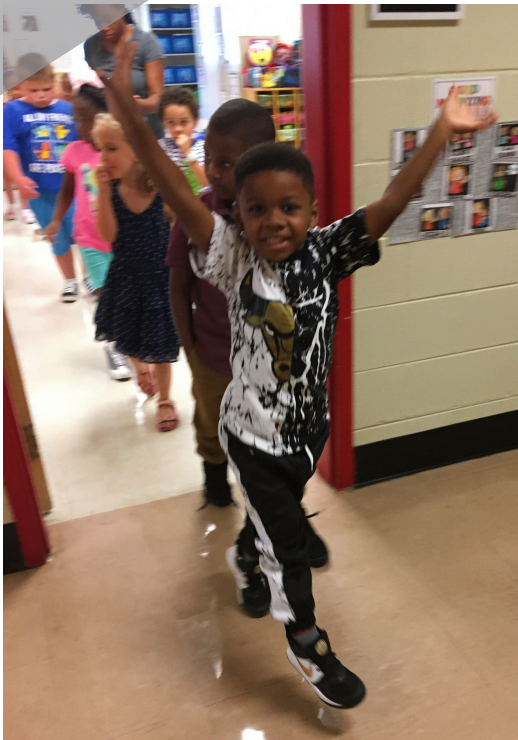
Virginia School Boards Association, a voluntary, nonpartisan organization of Virginia school boards, promotes excellence in public education through leadership, advocacy and services.

VISION

VSBA is recognized and respected as an innovative leader in public education.

GOALS

- To maximize student achievement by taking a leadership role in education reform.
- To advocate effectively for Virginia's public schools and children before all levels of government and the public.
- To increase engaged participation of member boards and stakeholders in all VSBA services and activities.



FROM THE PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear VSBA Members,


It is with great pleasure that we present the 2021-2022 Annual Report. In this report, we want to update you on how VSBA has worked for you during the past year. Some of the achievements highlighted within this report represent goals we set out to achieve in our Strategic Plan. In fact, many of our goals have been achieved but we still have others to address. The completion of Strategic Plan goals and the guidance we received from our members and Board of Directors have shown us that we can accomplish much when the collective wisdom of the membership sets a strong forward-thinking direction.

This year's annual membership opinion survey, which is highlighted in this Annual Report, verifies that most members rate the VSBA very highly. Results used from this survey will be used in assessing services and in planning programs. As always, your suggestions and comments are invited as the Association continues to meet future needs.

The VSBA's voice continues to be heard in Richmond and Washington, with lobbying activities concentrating on issues to improve education and to preserve local school boards' policy-making authority. Local board members played a key role in this effort by contacting their members of the General Assembly and Congress on important education issues.

As we look forward to 2023, The VSBA Board of Directors will be working on updating the current strategic plan to make sure that your association will continue to operate in a productive manner. We are grateful for the commitment and service you provide to education in your community.

This has been a challenging year for the Association. We realize that all will not agree with any one decision or direction the Association is going at any given time, or on a specific topic, but we believe we all agree that we should do what is right for children. As a result, our collective voice in public education is strong because VSBA provides the leadership, advocacy, and support for each of us to advocate effectively, while keeping local control at the center of what we do. The challenges we face are shared by many, and we know that by focusing on the children, we can all collectively work to educate children that will continue to move the Commonwealth forward.



Teddy D. Martin II

Teddy D. Martin, II
VSBA President



Gina G. Patterson

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VSBA Executive Director

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE MEMBERSHIP

As of 6/30/22, one hundred percent (100%) of the public-school boards in the Commonwealth are VSBA members, and we are an association that continues to offer its membership needed services through the most cost-effective means possible. VSBA has been very active at the national, state, and association levels. Here are some key highlights:



- On February 1, 2022, members of the Virginia School Boards Association Federal Relations Committee (FRC) hosted virtual meetings with Virginia's Congressional Delegation as part of VSBA's Virtual Advocacy Institute. The day-long event began with remarks from 2022 VSBA FRC Chair, Cardell Patillo (Portsmouth City), and a presentation from VSBA Director of Government Relations, J.T. Kessler, on the current legislation being considered by the United States Congress and a review of the issues for members of the FRC to address in their meetings. The 2022 VSBA FRC Advocacy Institute concluded with a robust meeting with Senator Tim Kaine and Senator Mark Warner where FRC members addressed needs of school divisions in a post-pandemic climate, school construction and modernization, staff and school bus driver shortages, broadband access, and full funding of IDEA.
- VSBA President Teddy Martin and Executive Director Gina Patterson both serve on the newly formed Consortium of State School Boards Associations (COSSBA) Transition Steering Committee (TSC). Founded by state school boards associations in late 2021, COSSBA is a non-partisan, national alliance dedicated to sharing resources and information to support, promote and strengthen state school boards associations as they serve their local school districts and board members. Currently 22 state school board associations belong to COSSBA.
- The VSBA Board of Directors continued to invite a representative from the Office of the Governor for healthy dialogue on current educational and legislative issues at each of its Board of Directors meetings.
- Several members of the VSBA Board of Directors sit on statewide committees ranging from VHSL Executive Committee to the Advisory Committee on Teacher Education and Licensure.
- February 2022 was recognized as School Board Appreciation Month in Virginia. The VSBA established this month-long observance back in 1989 to encourage public recognition of the roles and responsibilities of school board members and to highlight the importance of public education throughout the commonwealth.
- VSBA Board of Directors celebrated March 2022 as Equity in Education Month in Virginia. The VSBA established this month-long observance in 2020 to highlight the work that school divisions across Virginia are doing to promote equity in public education.
- In June of 2022 the VSBA Board of Directors created a taskforce on School Infrastructure to assist school boards in advocating for best practices and outcomes for improving the infrastructure of school divisions in the Commonwealth. The VSBA Task Force on School Infrastructure Needs will engage federal, state, and local leaders to ensure the need for increased federal and state resources is recognized as a critical priority.

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- The VSBA continued to take the lead on hot-topic issues through the VSBA Task Force on Workforce Readiness, Task Force on Students and Schools in Challenging Environments, Task Force on Collective Bargaining, and newly formed Task Force on School Infrastructure.
- VSBA held its statewide Food for Thought Competition where school divisions showcased programs that combat childhood hunger, provide healthy school meals, and encourage wellness and physical activity. Six winning divisions were recognized at the VSBA Conference on Education in July.
- VSBA continues to offer regional meetings in conjunction with meetings and conferences to allow the regional board members to get together and talk about hot topic issues in their region with their VSBA Regional Chairs.
- The VSBA Task Force on Workforce Readiness presented its annual Excellence in Workforce Readiness Awards at the Conference on Education.
- The seventh annual VSBA Advocate for Education Award was presented to David Woodard, school board member, Tazewell County Public Schools at the VSBA Annual Convention.
- In its 9th year, the VSBA Student Video Contest gave Virginia high school students the opportunity to express their thoughts and creativity around the theme, "Virginia's Public Schools: Stronger Than Ever."
- VSBA Bullying Prevention Month, in October, provides a statewide spotlight on the issue. VSBA hosted a webinar series to highlight and share best practices. The Governor issued a proclamation declaring the month of October 2021 VSBA Bullying Prevention Month.
- VSBA Take Your Legislator to School Month, in November, continues to offer additional opportunities to further strengthen relationships between school division leadership and elected officials. The Governor issued a proclamation declaring the month of November 2021 as Take Your Legislator to School Month.
- Employer commendations for supporting employees who serve on a school board were sent out in conjunction with School Board Appreciation Month.
- School Board Clerks Appreciation Week was celebrated during the third week in February.
- VSBA Past-President Rodney Jordan served on the Teacher of the Year selection committee.
- VSBA members participated in Day on Capitol Square meeting with members of the General Assembly in conjunction with the 2022 Capital Conference in January 2022.
- VSBA Task Forces hosted legislators for the second year, conducting a virtual "Coffee and Conversations" event prior to the beginning of the 2022 legislative session.
- VSBA and VACo partnered to present on topics relevant to each governing board at both annual conventions and have continued dialogue throughout the year. The President of VACo currently serves on the VSBA Taskforce on School Infrastructure Needs.
- VSBA held the First Annual Student Essay Contest. Three student winners were recognized at the VSBA Conference on Education. The theme of the contest was "Can and Should Freedom of Expression and Civility Co-exist?".
- VSBA has continued to collaborate with the Virginia Chamber, serving as a partner on their Annual Education and Workforce Conference.
- VSBA closed out the 2021 Annual Convention with the completion of a yearlong celebration of its 115th Anniversary.
- In its third year, there have been 12 school divisions to participate in VSBA's Master Board Training.
- The VSBA website was redesigned with improved navigation and a design that allows members to access it using their mobile device.
- VSBA continued its tradition of hosting a Student Art Contest. School divisions were encouraged to submit student artwork and all winners were announced at the virtual spring regional forums.
- The VSBA Audit Committee fulfilled its responsibilities and the VSBA Board of Directors approved the recommendation that the official audit be accepted without any reservations.

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- VSBA hosted a webinar series in March 2022 on equity featuring presentations from across Virginia during Equity in Education Month.
- VSBA President Teddy Martin issued a successful series of Public Service Announcements that were distributed for use by local school divisions. Topics included Equity in Education Month, Bullying Prevention Month, School Board Appreciation Month, School Board Clerks Appreciation Week, and Take Your Legislator to School Month.
- VSBA continued to partner with WHRO to provide hybrid conferences, when possible, to members that were unable to attend in person.
- The VSBA Business Honor Roll recognized businesses by highlighting successful school-business partnerships around the state.
- The VSBA government relations team hosted updates each Friday during the legislative session providing participants with weekly developments from the capitol and a report on legislative initiatives around the state during the General Assembly session.
- The VSBA government relations team presented legislative updates at the Spring Regional Network Forums in each VSBA region in 2022.
- The annual VSBA Media Honor Roll recognized reporters and media outlets for fair and balanced reporting of local school divisions.
- The 26th annual VSBA Showcases for Success, a guide that features positive public school programs, was sent out electronically to all media contacts, board members, superintendents, and legislators. The publication was also posted on the VSBA website as a source of best practices around the state. A total of 64 education programs were featured in this year's VSBA Showcases for Success directory.
- VSBA Executive Director Gina Patterson continued to host a series of podcasts on education-related topics that are available free to the membership.
- In honor of the 115th anniversary of the Virginia School Boards Association, Kajeet and VSBA partnered to launch the Virginia Education Broadband Grant program. Winners were awarded up to \$30,000 each to support their digital equity initiatives. Nine school divisions (3 per region) were selected and were announced at each Spring Regional Network Forums.
- VSBA presented three scholarships to Student School Board Representatives at the 2021 VSBA Annual Convention.
- VSBA continued to send out weekly federal updates to keep members abreast of legislation and advocacy at the federal level.
- VSBA continued to offer a Fall and Spring Conference for School Board Clerks, along with quarterly check in webinars to discuss hot topic questions about the new VSBA database.
- VSBA continues to offer webinars to members on a weekly and monthly basis. Recordings were provided to registered attendees.

LAST YEAR'S FINANCIAL REPORT



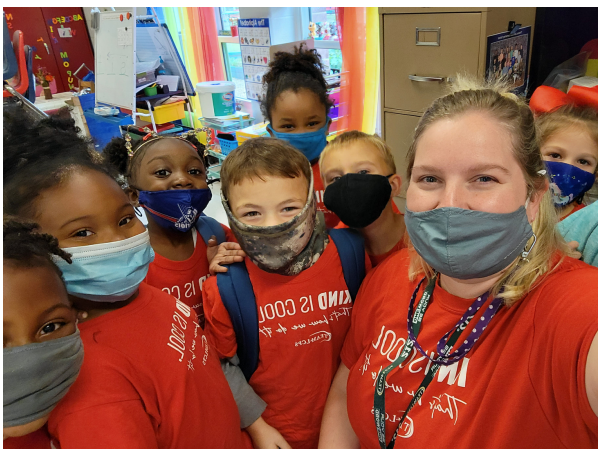
James Coleman, Jr. Chair
VSBA Finance/ Audit Committee Chair
(Lynchburg City)

I am happy to report that the VSBA Audit Committee performed its duties and took its responsibilities very seriously. Good questions were asked, and staff were able to answer without hesitation. We are proud to report there were no findings in the audit conducted.

For the fiscal year which ended December 31, 2021, the VSBA had an excess of revenue over expenses. Based upon an operations policy adopted by the VSBA Board of Directors in 1984, the VSBA provides generic services such as state and federal advocacy, day-to-day administrative and operational advice, publications, research, and individual training sessions for all its member school boards. Special services are provided to the membership on a "user fee" basis. That is, an extra fee is charged to those who want to use services not provided by dues. In this way, those who do not wish to participate in the special services are not burdened with the hefty dues increases to pay for those services. Special services include policy services, VSBA BoardDocs, governance training, strategic planning, and superintendent search services, etc.

The VSBA is fortunate that its membership is dedicated to ensuring that our association has the resources to guarantee its tagline of Leadership · Advocacy · Support for school boards throughout the Commonwealth. We welcome your comments and your continued willingness to participate in your association.

"The VSBA had an excess of revenue over expenses and no increase in dues cost to membership."



TALLY FOR TRAINING ACTIVITIES



2,500+

registrations were received for conferences, meetings, and webinars.



793

school board members, superintendents, clerks and deputy clerks earned VSBA Academy Awards.



132

of the member school boards had a member who earned an award.



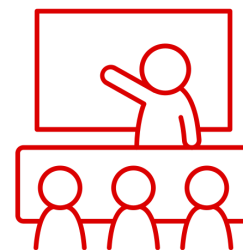
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individuals earned the Award of Distinction, the highest level of the VSBA Academy Awards.



36

webinars were hosted from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.



38

customized training sessions were conducted for school governance teams.

SCHOOL BOARD TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

VSBA hosted several conferences in 2021 and 2022, which marked the first year of transitioning to a hybrid format for conferences and workshops. In coming out of the pandemic, VSBA strived to meet the membership's changing needs through various methods while also keeping the safety of everyone a top priority so that participants felt comfortable attending events, workshops, and meetings. VSBA worked to host at least one webinar on relevant topics per week and continued to provide the hot topic conferences and meetings in a hybrid format to ensure that board members received the most up-to-date information possible.

Additionally, VSBA offered numerous hybrid workshops including Budget Training, Superintendent Evaluation Workshops, and Title IX Workshops. A new budget workshop was also added this year with a focus on the correlation between fiscal responsibility and meeting student needs.

On November 17, 2021, school board members, clerks, superintendents, attorneys, and many other school personnel gathered for the first-ever hybrid VSBA Annual Convention. The convention offered four general sessions, over 50 different breakout sessions, two "Coffee and Convo" sessions, and many other activities for members to participate in-person or virtually. Attendees had the opportunity to network with membership from across the state through the chat, if attending virtually or face-to-face, if they were in person. There was a total of 810 engaged attendees that participated in the conference overall.



AWARD OF DISTINCTION RECIPIENTS

Amelia County

Lorena Harper
Michael Neller

Arlington County

Barbara Kanninen

Botetourt County

Anna Weddle

Brunswick County

Elizabeth Burns
Carolyn Parson-Jones

Buena Vista City

Teresa Ellison

Caroline County

Nancy Carson
Shawn Kelley
Sarah Calveric
JoWanda Rollins-Fells
John Copeland
Calvin Taylor

Carroll County

Mark Burnette

Charlottesville City

James Bryant
Lisa Torres

Culpeper County

Barbara Brown
Patricia Baker

Dinwiddie County

Betty Haney
Mary Benjamin

Essex County

Harry Thomas
Ray Whitaker

Fairfax County

Ricardy Anderson
Karen Corbett Sanders

Floyd County

C. Gene Bishop

Franklin City

Amy Phillips
Robert Holt

Franklin County

Julie Nix

Frederick County

Michael Lake

Fredericksburg City

Marceline Catlett
Jannan Holmes

Goochland County

Karen Horn

Hampton City

Joseph Kilgore

Hanover County

Robert Hundley
Ola Hawkins

Henry County

Teddy D. Martin, II

Hopewell City

Linda Hyslop

Lynchburg City

James Coleman
Sharon Carter

Madison County

Anna Graham

Manassas City

Suzanne Seaberg

Mecklenburg County

Wanda Bailey

Middlesex County

Claudia Soucek

Nelson County

Janet Turner-Giles

New Kent County

Sarah Grier-Barber

Newport News City

Douglas Brown
Lisa Surles-Law
Terri Best

Norfolk City

Tanya Bhasin
Rodney Jordan
Adale Martin

Nottoway County

Tameshia Grimes

Orange County

Sherrie Page

Page County

Jacqueline Sullivan-
Smoot

Petersburg City

Adrian Dance
Bernard Lundy
Kenneth Pritchett
Lois Long
Steven Pierce

Portsmouth City

Cardell Patillo

Prince Edward County

Peter Gur

Prince George County

Chris Johnson
Lisa Pennycuff
Cecil Smith

Prince William County

Adele Jackson
Jennifer Wall
Loree Williams

Pulaski County

Beckie Cox
E. Paige Cash
Kevin Siers
Timothy Hurst

Richmond City

Cheryl Burke

Richmond County

Boyd Blackley

Rockingham County

Charlette McQuilkin

Shenandoah County

Cynthia Walsh

Smyth County

Paul Grinstead

Spotsylvania County

Lorita Copeland Daniels

Suffolk City

Judith Brooks-Buck
Lorita Mayo
Phyllis Byrum
Sherri Story

Surry County

Elsie Dennis
Laura Pierce-Ruffin
Serbrenia Sims
Marion Wilkins
Valencia Williams

Tazewell County

B. Irene Mullins
David Woodard
Donna-Lawson-Whittington

Virginia Beach City

Sharon Felton

Waynesboro City

Jeffrey Cassell
Kathe Maneval

Westmoreland County

Ralph Fallin
Iris Lane

VSBA Legal Assistance Fund:

The Legal Assistance Fund supported the filing of two amicus, or friend of the court, briefs. In the first, the VSBA, joined by the state school boards associations in North Carolina and South Carolina, filed an amicus brief in the U.S. Supreme Court in support of Fairfax County School Board's petition for certiorari in FCSB v. Doe. VSBA has previously filed two other amicus briefs in this case at earlier stages of the litigation. The case involves a claim of peer-on-peer sexual harassment under Title IX. After a jury found in favor of the school division, the student appealed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. That court reversed and remanded the case for a new trial. The Fourth Circuit's opinion expanded the circumstances in which money damages can be imposed on school boards under Title IX and created a split among the circuit courts across the country. If cert is granted, the Court will have the opportunity to clarify the situations in which school boards can be held liable under Title IX. The VSBA's amicus brief was written by a team at McGuire Woods that includes Jonathan Ellis, Robert Loftin, Summer Speight and Heidi Siegmund.

The second amicus brief was filed in Open FCPS v. Tholen which involved a recall petition filed against a school board member. The amicus brief argued that Virginia law does not permit a school board member to be recalled based on disagreement with decisions made by the school board. The special prosecutor agreed with the points raised in the amicus brief. The petition for recall was dismissed. The amicus brief in that case was written by Graham Bryant of Byrne Canaan Law.

VSBA Council of School Attorneys:

VSBA Council of School Attorneys (VSBA COSA) coordinates information and conferences on education law and provides opportunities for networking among its members. VSBA COSA has approximately 70 members, each of whom represents one or more school boards in Virginia. The members appreciate having the ability to discuss various legal issues at meetings in June and November as well as via the VSBA COSA listserv.

VSBA Policy Services:

One hundred and twenty-seven Virginia school boards, plus five regional, vocational and Governor's schools, are now members of VSBA Policy Services. In addition to receiving new and revised policies based on thorough legal research, VSBA Policy Services subscribers benefit from "strength in numbers" if called upon to defend a policy. Subscribers received four Policy Updates, in August and December 2021 as well as February and May 2022, including policies changed as a result of actions by the 2021 General Assembly. In addition, the Policy Page, offers timely information about policy-related issues. Over 75 division superintendents and policy contacts attended the Policy Workshop in May, which focused on 2022 state legislation affecting school divisions. A series of conference calls was held after the July 2021 and February 2022 Updates were released to provide information and answer questions about the policy revisions in those Updates. VSBA members continue to be pleased with the help they receive from the Policy Services staff. VSBA staff speak with school board members, superintendents, and policy contacts daily about a wide range of policy-related issues.



SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH SERVICES

VSBA staff assisted school boards in rural, suburban, and urban school divisions with superintendent searches, including Bath County, Buckingham County, Halifax County, Isle of Wight County, Nelson County, Northampton County, and Orange County.

Staff placed over 300 calls to check references, verify eligibility, and evaluate job performance of applicants. The VSBA Superintendent Search Procedures Manual, which is provided to board members for the duration of the search process, was also updated.



185

applications received.



1,958

community surveys provided input for ideal candidate selection.



TASK FORCE REPORTS

VSBA Task Force on School Infrastructure Needs

At its June 2022 meeting, the Virginia School Boards Association (VSBA) Board of Directors voted to establish a task force focused on assisting school boards in advocating for best practices and outcomes for improving the infrastructure of school divisions in the Commonwealth. The VSBA Task Force on School Infrastructure Needs will engage federal, state, and local leaders to ensure the need for increased federal and state resources is recognized as a critical priority.

During the 2022 session of the Virginia General Assembly, lawmakers discussed the importance of addressing the infrastructure needs of school divisions citing a report released in late 2021 by the Virginia Commission on School Construction and Modernization. The report determined more than half of the Commonwealth's school buildings are at least 50 years or older. In response to these details, the Commission estimated the cost of replacing over 1,000 aging facilities to be roughly \$25 billion.

The VSBA Task Force on School Infrastructure Needs will continue to express the infrastructure needs of school divisions across the Commonwealth with a focus on bringing public and private sector leaders together to address creative ways to fund and support infrastructure projects in Virginia's public schools.



TASK FORCE REPORTS

VSBA Task Force on Students and Schools in Challenging Environments

In June 2013, the VSBA Board of Directors created the VSBA Task Force on Students and Schools in Challenging Environments to make recommendations to the State Board of Education and the State Department of Education on how VSBA can partner to help challenged schools in Virginia, and to identify and share research, resources and strategies that will empower Virginia's schools to reach higher levels of student achievement.

In March 2017, the VSBA Board of Directors voted to re-institute the VSBA Task Force on Students and Schools in Challenging Environments. New members were added to the Task Force and the members are working to continue the mission of the task force and to keep a pulse on issues related to schools in challenging environments.

At their March 2019 meeting, the VSBA Board of Directors voted to add "Students" to the title of the task force. During the past year, task force highlights include:

- In January 2022, the task force hosted members of the Virginia General Assembly in a virtual town hall meeting titled "Coffee and Conversations" prior to the beginning of the 2022 session of the Virginia General Assembly.
- In March 2022, Co-Chair met with Virginia Lieutenant Governor Winsome Sears to discuss the work of the task force and an introduction to previously issued reports from the task force.
- In June 2022, the VSBA Board of Directors voted to extend the work of the task force through 2023 and welcomed new Co-Chair, Jason Van Heukelum, Superintendent, Winchester City Public Schools, to the task force.
- In June 2022, the VSBA Board of Directors approved the task force's 3.0 Report and the State of Students and Schools in Challenging Environments overview.



TASK FORCE REPORTS

VSBA Task Force on Workforce Readiness

In March 2015, the VSBA Board of Directors created the VSBA Task Force on Workforce Readiness to study how career and technical education programs are being implemented in Virginia school divisions and how these programs are preparing the state's future workforce. In subsequent meetings, the task force members established the following mission of the task force: The mission of the VSBA Task Force on Workforce Readiness is to support school divisions by identifying and promoting workforce readiness opportunities that enable students to be prepared to succeed in a new economy.

In the past year, the Task Force engaged in the following activities:

- At the August 2021 meeting of the VSBA Board of Directors, the Board approved the recommendation to continue the work of the task force.
- Hosted Career and Technical Education staff from the Virginia Department of Education to discuss opportunities for future collaboration between the two entities in implementing work based learning coordinators and promoting the VSBA Excellence in Workforce Readiness Award.
- Hosted winners of the 2021 Excellence in Workforce Readiness Award at the VSBA Convention in November allowing award recipients to showcase their winning programs.
- For a fifth straight year, requested that school divisions submit proposals highlighting how Workforce Readiness skills are being developed within school divisions with less than 5,000 students; divisions greater than 5,000 but less than 10,000 and those greater than 10,000 students.
- Hosted members of the Virginia General Assembly in a virtual town hall meeting titled "Coffee and Conversations" prior to the beginning of the 2022 session of the Virginia General Assembly.



LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

The Virginia School Boards Association's Government Relations team represented school board members at the capitol building in Richmond for the first time in-person since the 2020 legislative session. Early in the session, the government relations team was invited by the House Education Committee to provide an overview of the association and its legislative priorities for the 2022 session. With many new lawmakers sitting on the House Education Committee, this opportunity allowed the government relations team the opportunity to build relationships with lawmakers and committee staff that proved beneficial during the session.

The government relations team posted blog posts throughout the session, recorded a weekly video blog update, and provided legislative information sessions for members weekly via Zoom Friday afternoons. School board members actively participated in the lobbying efforts by answering action alerts requesting messages of support or voicing opposition to legislation being debated during the session.

The annual VSBA Capital Conference was held in January bringing school board members from across the Commonwealth to Richmond where they engaged lawmakers at the Virginia General Assembly. Participants were provided with a glimpse into K-12 education policy from newly elected Lieutenant Governor Winsome Sears, and newly appointed Virginia Secretary of Education Aimee Guidera, as well as the newly appointed Virginia Superintendent of Public Instruction Jillian Balow.

The VSBA continued the practice of providing conference participants with a tool kit and tips for successful advocacy for public education. Participants scheduled both in-person and virtual meetings with their legislative delegations and advocated for the key issues and concerns of the association.

2022 Legislative Session

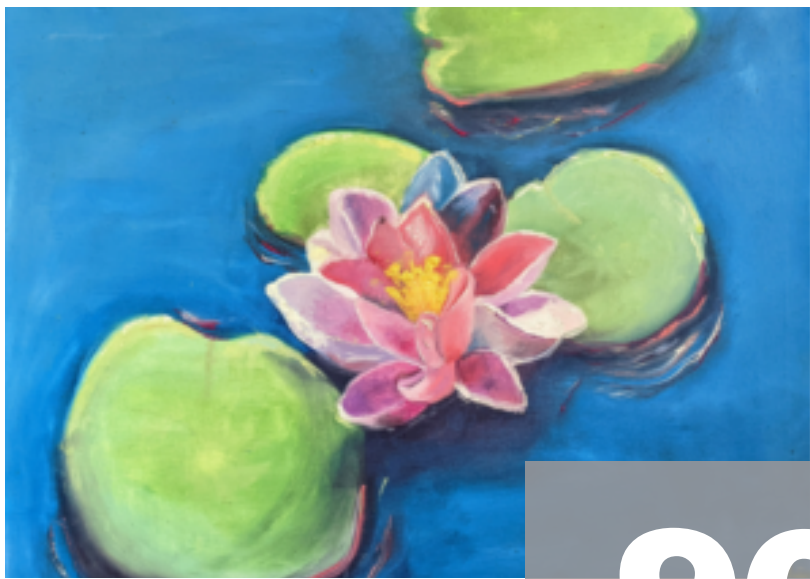
The 2022 Session of the Virginia General Assembly convened on Wednesday January 12th with the Senate of Virginia controlled by the Democrats by a 21-19 margin and the Virginia House of Delegates in Republican control by a margin of 52-48. The focus for lawmakers during the session was to adopt a new biennial budget. At the date of adjournment, the two chambers were unable to reach an agreement on the budget and adopted a continuing resolution which established a special session to work on the budget and other pieces of legislation with financial implications on March 12, 2022.

Following lengthy negotiations between members of the Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee and House Appropriations Committee, the Virginia General Assembly returned and approved a budget for the 2022-2024 biennium on June 9, 2022. This budget deal was amended by Governor Youngkin and legislators returned to Richmond on June 17 to address the actions taken by the Governor. The 2022-2024 Biennial Budget was signed into law by Governor Youngkin on June 22, 2022 and contained roughly 19.2 billion dollars over the biennium for K-12 Public Education, which was a 20% increase over the appropriated dollars for K-12 during the 2020-2022 biennium.

At the conclusion of budget negotiations, VSBA government relations staff produced the Final Legislative Wrap-Up Report. This comprehensive report includes analysis of the 2022-2024 Biennium Budget, as well as legislation that was passed and defeated during the 2022 session and can be found under the Legislative Resources section of the VSBA website.

2022 MEMBER OPINION SURVEY HIGHLIGHTS

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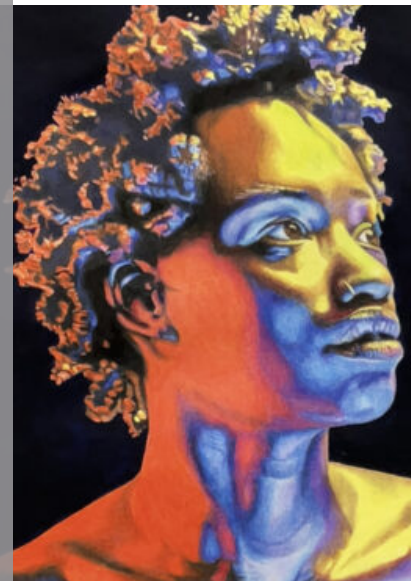
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strongly agree or agree VSBA effectively keeps board members informed on advocacy issues.



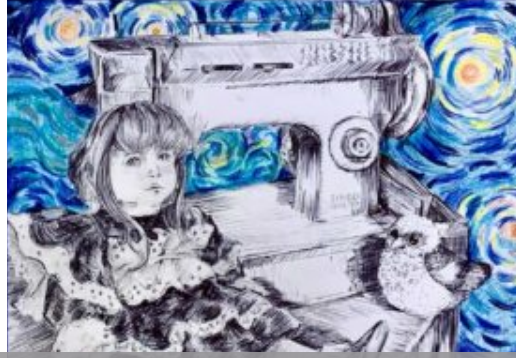
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extremely satisfied or satisfied with VSBA services.



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VSBA Communications By the Numbers:

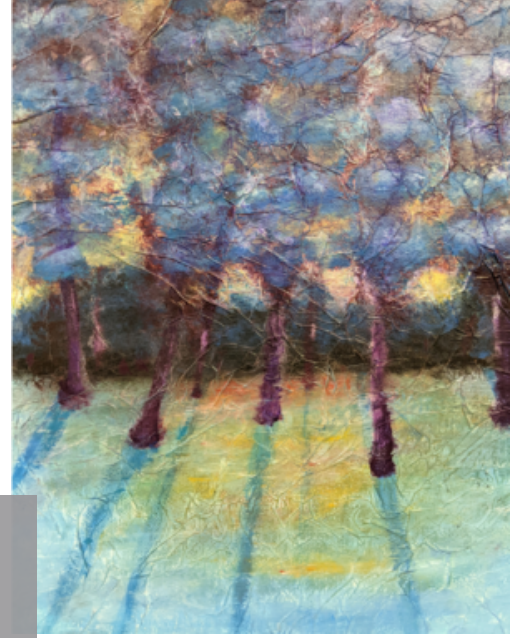
(viewed, read, or monitored by membership in the past year)

- Daily News - 83%
- Newsletter - 78%
- Federal Updates - 77%
- Website - 75%
- Legislative Blog - 30%
- Facebook - 22%
- Legislative Vlog - 20.1%
- Podcast - 14.4%
- Twitter - 7%



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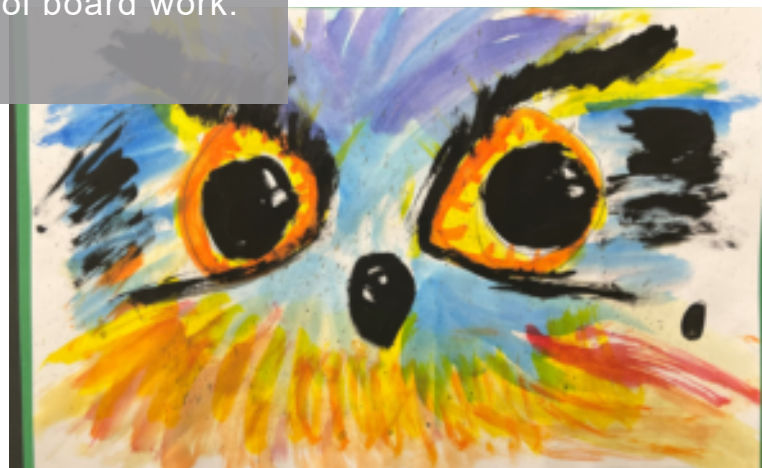
44%

respondents ran for school board to give back to their community.



57%

respondents spend over 15 hours per month on school board work.



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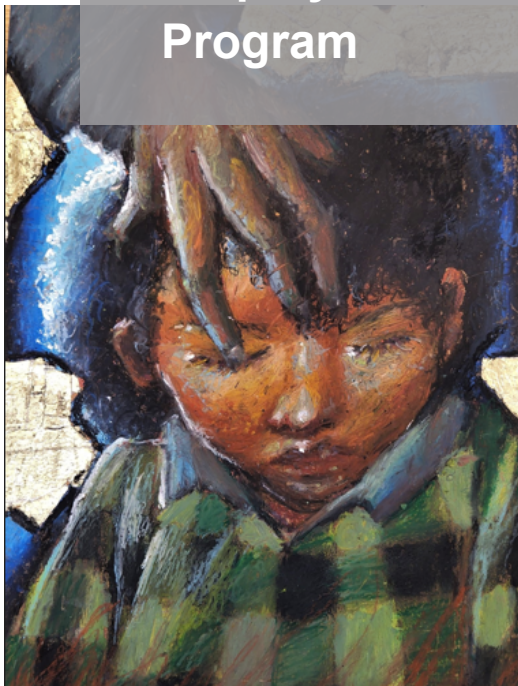


Top 5 Recognition Programs:

- Business Honor Roll
- Media Honor Roll
- Excellence in Workforce Readiness
- Student Essay Contest
- Employer Commendation Program

Top 5 VSBA Services:

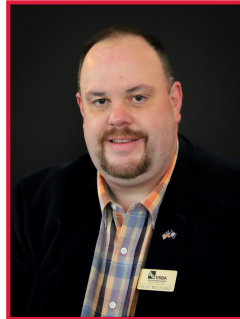
- Policy Services
- Board Docs
- Personalized Board Training
- Legal Services
- Superintendent Evaluation Training



2021-22 VSBA BOARD OF DIRECTORS



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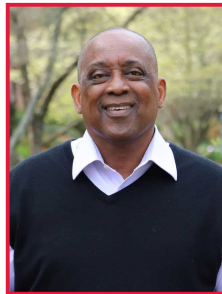
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2023 Conferences & Events

January 30: VSBA Capital Conference, Richmond VA

January 31: VSBA New Chair/Board Member/Superintendent Orientation, Richmond VA

March 30 - April 2: Inaugural COSSBA National Conference, Tampa FL

April 13: VSBA Hot Topic Conference, TBD

June 2: VSBA School Law Conference, Richmond VA

July 13: VSBA Conference on Education, Richmond VA

September 21: VSBA Legislative Advocacy Conference, TBD

November 15-17: VSBA Annual Convention, Williamsburg VA

December 13, 14, 15: VSBA Basic Budget Webinar Series



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